

women from all across the United States.

And, of course, I have to say that Texas had a large delegation there from San Antonio, Laredo, a couple of the places, New Braunfels. But again I do want to say thank you to the gentleman from Iowa (Mr. KING) for this opportunity, and the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. DENT), and of course our doctor, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. BURGESS), who also went with us.

This is something that allows us to make better decisions here in Washington, being able to go and see what is happening in Iraq firsthand. So I thank my colleagues.

Mr. KING of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I thank my colleagues. I appreciate their willingness to do this travel, along with my other colleague, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. BURGESS). I said when we got off that plane that I would go make that trip all over again with you, and I mean that sincerely. It is not always the case.

There are a couple of things that need to be fixed over there, and one of them is the constitution. Get it ratified, have the legitimate election, get the sovereignty established with legitimacy in Iraq so that they can sign contracts, and get that oil developed with foreign capital so that that capital can grow and flow and they can do business across the world. When that happens, the enemy will have to give up and recognize that they have lost.

While that is going on, the Iraqis are taking care of their own security. There is light at the end of this tunnel. There is a bright spot. And the least concern we have is whether our military is doing their job. They are doing their job. And now free enterprise needs to take hold to lift that burden off our military.

So I appreciate my colleagues' involvement here, and my hat's off to the United States military and their efforts over there and all around the world.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. ORTIZ (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today and September 22 on account of district business.

Mr. BARTON of Texas (at the request of Mr. DELAY) for today on account of attending a funeral.

Mr. HEFLEY (at the request of Mr. DELAY) for today and the balance of the week on account of a death in the family.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. BROWN of Ohio, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFazio, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. EMANUEL, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HINCHEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. McDERMOTT, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. DUNCAN) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. DUNCAN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, September 22.

Mr. PAUL, for 5 minutes, September 22.

Mr. POE, for 5 minutes, September 27.

(The following Members (at their own request) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. KIND, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. STUPAK, for 5 minutes, today.

#### SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced his signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 1340. An act to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to extend the date after which surplus funds in the wildlife restoration fund become available for apportionment.

#### BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House reports that on September 19, 2005 he presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills

H.R. 3169. Pell Grant Hurricane and Disaster Relief Act.

H.R. 3668. Student Grant Hurricane and Disaster Relief Act.

H.R. 3672. TANF Emergency Response and Recovery Act of 2005.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. KING of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 26 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, September 22, 2005, at 10 a.m.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

4055. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting a report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act in the Rural Electrification and Telecommunications Direct Loan Financing Account,

Treasury Symbol 12X4208, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

4056. A letter from the Deputy Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, Transmittal No. 05-39, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Singapore for defense articles and services; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4057. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, NHTSA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Child restraint systems Child restraint systems recordkeeping requirements [Docket No. NHTSA-2005-22324] (RIN: 2127-A195) received September 12, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4058. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's report entitled "Performance Improvement 2005: Evaluation Activities of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services," pursuant to section 241(b) of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4059. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the semiannual report detailing payments made to Cuba as a result of the provision of telecommunications services pursuant to Department of the Treasury specific licenses, as required by Section 1705(e)(6) of the Cuban Democracy Act of 1992, 22 U.S.C. 6004(e)(6), as amended by Section 102(g) of the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity (LIBERTAD) Act of 1996, and pursuant to Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 6032; to the Committee on International Relations.

4060. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), and pursuant to Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, a six-month periodic report of the national emergency with respect to the Western Balkans that was declared in Executive Order 13219 of June 26, 2001; to the Committee on International Relations.

4061. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), and pursuant to Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the risk of nuclear proliferation created by the accumulation of weapons-usable fissile material in the territory of the Russian Federation that was declared in Executive Order 13159 of June 21, 2000; to the Committee on International Relations.

4062. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), and pursuant to Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process that was declared in Executive Order 12947 of January 23, 1995; to the Committee on International Relations.

4063. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National